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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 20, 1887. 303

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
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For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 1, 1887. 754

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY in our Firm of MR. MAX GROTE ceases by Mutual Agreement on this date.

MELOERS & Co.

Hongkong, } December 31, 1887. 2
Shanghai, }

NOTICE.

WE HAVE THIS DAY Admitted Mr. MARCUS DAVID EZEKIEL as PARTNER in our Firm in Hongkong and China.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 4

NOTICE.

MR. M. GROTE has THIS DAY been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

CHATER & VERNON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 5

NOTICE.

WE HAVE authorised Mr. GUSTAV DEGENER to act for our Firm by Procurement from this date, in Hongkong and China.

CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 3

Intimations.

WANTED in the Harbour Department an ASSISTANT LIGHT-HOUSE KEEPER. Salary, \$10 a month. Application, with Testimonials, to be made to the Harbour Master.

H. G. THOMSETT, n.s., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 22

THE BRITISH BARQUE NARDOO.

THE Undersigned being about to PURCHASE the BRITISH BARQUE NARDOO, the Transfer whereof will be effected within one month from this date hereby request all Persons having CLAIMS against the said Vessel to send Particulars of such Claims to the Undersigned on or before the 31st January, 1888.

PEN KEE, Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 18

NOTICE.

AS the Undersigned is leaving for India, Notice is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMAND upon or against him are required to send in same for SETTLEMENT on or before 21st Instant.

All Parties INDEBTED to the Undersigned are also hereby requested to make immediate PAYMENT.

SHEIKHALY FAZULLY.

Hongkong, January 3, 1888. 14

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(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1887. 68

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Vessels DISCHARGING BOMBAY COTTON and COTTON YARN at the KOWLOON WHARVES will have FREE STORAGE for 14 days from arrival, after which a Rent of 3 CENTS per bale per month will be charged.

ISAAC HUGHES, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 7, 1887. 2148

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

PASSENGERS can at the present time of the year engage Berths through to Europe, via Bombay, without change of steamer or increase of fare.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

3rd December, 1887. 2353

PEAK HOTEL.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 1

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MESSRS. SARKIES BROTHERS have the honour to inform their FRIENDS and PATRONS that they have OPENED the above HOTEL on the 1st of December.

The Situation is one of the best and healthiest in the town, facing the sea, and within a few minutes' walk of the Public Office and the Square.

Great care and attention for the comfort of Boarders and Visitors have been taken in every detail, and those frequenting it will find every convenience and home comfort.

From the great experience Messrs. SARKIES BROTHERS have gained in the MANAGEMENT of the EASTERN and the ORIENTAL HOTELS in Penang, and the success that has attended them, they are confident that the 'RAFFLES HOTEL' will meet a great want long felt in Singapore. The sole endeavour of the Proprietors will be to attend to the comfort of their VISITORS.

TERMS MODERATE.

SARKIES BROTHERS, Proprietors.

21st December, 1887. 2478

Business Notices.

NEW YEAR PRESENTS!

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

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A CHOICE SELECTION OF New Year Cards.

NEW BOOKS.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' ANNUALS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1887. 2512

Victoria Hotel.

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

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The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1618

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VICTORIA EXCHANGE, December 28, 1887. 2522

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Hongkong, January 3, 1888. 11

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Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 607

Intimations.

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE EASTER TERM will Commence on MONDAY, the 16th Instant, at 8 a.m. New Pupils will be admitted on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 10 a.m.

C. J. BATEMAN, Head Master.

Hongkong, January 5, 1888. 20

ANDREW JOHNSTON,

Consulting Engineer, MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 21

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and Manila for the Sale of THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE.

AND THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE CORDIALS.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, May 3, 1887. 804

J. D. KILEY,

SAIL-MAKER.

TENTS, AWNINGS AND FLAGS.

No. 23, Praya Central, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, November 1, 1887. 2135

Intimations.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1458

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

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Tuesday, the 17th January, 1888, at 9 p.m.

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Tickets may be obtained from Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., on and after Monday, the 9th January, 1888, at 9 a.m.

H. M. THOMSETT, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 20

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

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Hongkong, July 18, 1884. 1137

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CHINA MAT. Office.

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Hongkong, December 19, 1887. 2180

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TO BE LET.

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Apply to No. 14, CAIRNE ROAD. Hongkong, October 31, 1887. 2130

Notices to Consignees.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. MERIONETHSHIRE, FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO. at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 1st Instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 10

GELLATLY'S LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. MOOUL, FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO. at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 11th Instant will be subject to rent at the rate of one cent, per package per day.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1888. 17

Notices to Consignees.

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

Intimations.

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To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
The Co.'s Steamship Zafiro, Captain Faint, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 10th Instant, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, January 7, 1888. 41

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
The Steamship Carmarthenshire, Captain Dyer, will be despatched for the above Ports on the 10th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, January 7, 1888. 42

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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The Co.'s Steamship Blenda, Captain P. MESSA, will be despatched as above on or about the 8th Instant.
For further Particulars, regarding Freight and Passage, apply to the Agent of the Company, Freya Central.
O. BACHMANN, Agent.
Hongkong, January 7, 1888. 44

To-day's Advertisements.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
The Steamship Glenash, Captain JACOBI, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 9th Instant, at 3 p.m.
This Steamship has superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, January 7, 1888. 43

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:
—ALLIE ROWE, Hawaiian brig, Captain J. Phillips.—Wick & Co.
—MAY L. CUSHING, American ship, Capt. P. P. Brown.—Fustan & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
January 6, 1888:
Anton, German steamer, 390, E. Aereboe, Pakhoi January 4, General.—Wick & Co.

January 7:
Oppeck, British steamer, 1729, J. Jacques, Fushow and Amoy Jan. 5, General. ANSHOLD, KAISER & CO.
Schooner, British steamer, 327, T. Rowin, Pakhoi January 4, and Holbow 5, General.—KWONG TAI LOOKE.
Actis, Danish steamer, 355, N. C. Rysberg, Pakhoi January 4, and Holbow 6, General.—ANSHOLD, KAISER & CO.
Pho Quie, French steamer, 183, Espeisoe, Haiphong January 2, General.—CHINESE.

DEPARTURES.

January 7:
Pha Chua Chom Kiao, for Hoilow, Principia, for Yokohama.
China, for Yokohama.
Veloity, for Hongkong.
Chary, for Singapore.
Hawley, for Yokohama.
Yangtze, for Shanghai.
Chintung, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Glence, for Shanghai.

CLARIFIED.
Norway, for Cebu.
Lydia, for Singapore and Hamburg.
Oppeck, for Singapore and London.
China, for Cebu.
Veloity, for Hongkong.
Chary, for Singapore.
Hawley, for Yokohama.
Yangtze, for Shanghai.
Chintung, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Glence, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

For Anton, from Pakhoi, 6 Chinese.
For Schooner, from Pakhoi, 33 Chinese.
For Oppeck, from Amoy, Messrs. Maclean

and Mianky, and 34 Chinese; for Straits, 507 Chinese.
Per Actis, from Pakhoi, &c., 6 Chinese.
Per Pha Quie, for Haiphong, Mr. Schiow, and 80 Chinese.
DEPARTED.
—Pha Chua Chom Kiao, for Hoilow, 3 Chinese.
—Per China, for Saigon, 30 Chinese.
—Per Veloity, for Hongkong, 8 Chinese.
—Per Chintung, for Singapore, 653 Chinese.
—Per Yangtze, for Shanghai, 9 Chinese.
—Per Chintung, for Swatow, 12 Chinese.
—Per Glence, for Shanghai, 3 Europeans.
TO DEPART.
—Per Lydia, for Yokohama, 2 Europeans.
—Per Oppeck, for Singapore, 507 Chinese.
—Per China, for Saigon, 30 Chinese.
—Per Veloity, for Hongkong, 8 Chinese.
—Per Chintung, for Singapore, 653 Chinese.
—Per Yangtze, for Shanghai, 9 Chinese.
—Per Chintung, for Swatow, 12 Chinese.
—Per Glence, for Shanghai, 3 Europeans.
—Per Pha Quie, for Haiphong, 45 Chinese.
—Per Anton, for Hoilow, 25 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer Oppeck reports: Left Amoy, at 5 p.m., on the 6th, and had light Northwesterly to N.E. winds and very fine weather. Arriving at Hongkong at 7 p.m., on the 6th instant.
The Danish steamer Actis reports: Had N.E. wind with fine clear weather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—Per China, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 9th inst.
For SINGAPORE.—Per Lydia, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 8th January, 1888.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—Per Bellona, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 8th inst.

For SAIGON.—Per Ashington, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 8th inst.

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Dancing was commenced about half-past nine, by which time nearly all the guests had arrived. His Excellency Sir William Dea Vaux led off the opening quadrille with Mrs. Ackroyd, having as his partner the Hon. E. J. Ackroyd and Miss Cameron. In the same set were General Cameron with Mrs. Deane, and Sir R. Vesey Hamilton with Mrs. Storer. The following was the programme of the dances:—

- 1.—GARDNER, Mr. J. G. (St. George's).
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Supper was served about midnight, and ample as the accommodation provided was, the guests were so numerous that it was hardly possible for the whole company to get seated at once. After an excellent repast, the guests, before returning to the ballrooms, were asked by the Hon. E. J. Ackroyd to drink 'The Health of Her Majesty the Queen,' and the toast was pledged with ringing cheers.

Dancing was then resumed and continued till about three o'clock.

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From this General Committee the following sub-committees were formed:—

Decorations Committee:—Messrs R. K. Leigh, Lieut.-Colonel Stevenson, Commander Symington, R.N.; and Commander Rumsey, R.N.

Invitation Committee:—Messrs J. Grant, C. D. Bottomley, and Major Davies.

Supper and Refreshment Committee:—Mr. E. L. Woodin, Major Tripp, Messrs J. Y. Vernon, and B. Layton.

Ladies' Room—Dr. P. B. C. Ayres. Card and Clock Room—Hon. W. M. Deane.

Treasurer:—Mr. H. M. Thummett. Secretary:—Mr. Alf. Woolley.

'FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR.

That the St. George's Ball may be looked upon as a most fitting finish to the New Year holidays, and was perhaps the gayest and jolliest Twelfth Night which Hongkong has seen for many a year.

That the sons of the Dragon-lying Saint entertained their guests right royally, and by so doing worthily maintained the fair fame of the Rosa.

That the ringing cheers that greeted the toast of the Queen, and the thoroughly Old English style of the 'Sir Roger' dance, were the distinctive features of this most creditable English assembly in the City Hall.

That the arrangements of the Ball, taking them all round, were most commendable, and that, spite of the large numbers of hosts and guests who filled the hall and theatre, everything went smoothly and enjoyably.

That the decorations were effective without being too elaborate, and distinctively English without being too much so.

That the Mistletoe hung in the central Hall, and the Dovecots in the verandah, were happy reminders of the customs of the 'good old times' when kissing and love-making were most important features in the English feasts of Christmas and of Yule.

That the Alcees or Dovecots, which were most inviting, were centres of attraction to many, and they only required a fortune-telling Sibyl, in another recess, to make them all that could be desired.

That the St. George's Ball, although a grand success, might be improved upon; but that the sons of St. Andrew might also obtain from its management a few useful suggestions applicable to the arrangements for future Scottish gatherings.

That the Petition of the Chinese Residents against the objectionable clauses in the Public Health Bill makes out a strong case against the action of the Government, and is sure to bear fruit.

That the Petition may prepare the way to the taking of another step towards a better representation of the public in the Legislative Council.

That a few of the expressions in the Petition are most striking and forcible, and will probably provoke a smile from Sir Henry Holland—that is, if he ever sees the document himself.

That they say the arbitrary clauses objected to 'frighten the people more than a fierce tiger,' and that the trouble and worry unnecessarily caused by other clauses suggest the inquiry 'Is life worth living?' in the Chinese style—namely, that 'they prefer death to life.'

That, after making allowance for the Celestial style of composition, the Petition is a sensible document.

That while we must educate the Chinese to a better understanding of Sanitary needs, it is not at all necessary to summarily overturn their ancient customs or entirely disregard their prejudices which, like our own, are the growth of circumstances.

That, as I have formerly said, the Chinese are beginning to realise the good that is being done by the Alice Memorial Hospital and the College of Medicine for Chinese.

That Mr. Ong Beng Tek and Mr. Tan Teok Swee's generosity towards the Alice Memorial Hospital is highly to be commended, as it is well known that the Chinese in the Straits have heavy calls upon their charity when at home, and it is all the more pleasing to notice, though it 'begins at home,' it does not end there.

That it is to be hoped the good example followed by the Chinese gentlemen from Penang will be followed by the rich native gentry here and elsewhere.

That the local Government might do worse than give a yearly subsidy to this Institution.

That our enlightened Medical men ought to set their faces against all useless technicalities, which are remnants of a bygone school of Medicine intended simply to mystify the multitude.

That as we do not consider it necessary to confine a knowledge of the soul to ministers of religion, so we do not see why a knowledge of the body should be confined to doctors only.

That most of us would know what was meant if a Doctor told us we were suffering from Mumps or Nettle-rash, but not so many would understand if he said 'Parotitis or Urticaria, while Pyrexia and Dyspnoea would merely be genuine Greek to all but Medical students.

That technical terms are often good and necessary things in their way, but that one of the necessities of our time is to pull down the temples of Esculapius, and turn their Priests into the streets to become teachers of all men rather than guardians of the secrets of the sanctuary.

That Doctors need not fear, for they will always be needed, and the way will thus be made smooth for the attainment of greater knowledge.

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That there is no reason to doubt the ultimate success of the undertaking, the demand being almost unlimited; and now that the Directors have gained enough experience to distinguish between a dry cow and a udder, a prosperous career is almost assured.

That I should like to know, even with all their knowledge, acquired and natural, how many of the Directors could state off-hand which end of a cow, in raising, gets up first.

That with regard to the assessment of property, Mr. Shelton Hooper said, 'the usual method was to take the month's rent at the time the forms were received, and multiply it by 12, giving the product as the actual annual rental.'

That I should like to know how this rule would apply if the tenement happened to be empty on that particular month.

That the 'product' of 12 times 0 would not be much of an actual annual rental.

That the Valuator, all the same, seems to have got the weather gauge of the revenue-cutters, and has succeeded in putting his finger upon several 'aggravated' cases.

That the brandy-cigar-nation-bum dodge did not succeed with Mr. Shelton Hooper, as it has succeeded in the days of yore.

That perhaps if all the Chinese tenements were correctly assessed, European and all other householders might be relieved somewhat by a reduction of say from 13 to 10 per cent.

That we shall soon have to bid farewell to Admiral Sir Vesey Hamilton, who will be much missed in the Service and elsewhere.

That no steps seem to have been taken to have the great West River thrown open to trade, although the Viceroy of Canton might thus have a good chance of replenishing his empty coffers and squaring up his accounts with Peking.

That the Foreign public are glad to find that the attempts of the Chinese to dictate to Foreign steamship owners in the matter of their employees have been resisted.

That it is rather too much to expect Captains of steamers to carry the bodies of native passengers into port who have died at sea of small-pox or other infectious disease.

That under ordinary circumstances ship-masters invariably endeavour to fall in with the Chinese ideas on this subject and bring the bodies of those dying at sea into port, but the matter should be looked into by the Health Officer so as to prevent infection from reaching us in this manner.

BROWNE.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Hon. Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Justice of the Peace.)

Saturday, January 7.

FUN SUX versus GARIT.

This case, in which a chair-cooler, who had been dismissed from service, sued for wages, was again before Mr. Justice Leach to-day.

Mr. A. S. Garit, the defendant, gave the following evidence:—On the evening of the 13th Dec. a very offensive smell was noticed coming from the drain near the coolies' quarters. I ordered all the chair coolies belonging to the establishment to be turned out to clean the drain. Only two of them went to clean the drain. Plaintiff was not one of them. Next morning I asked the reason of the absence of the other two coolies. One of them, not the plaintiff, said he was not in the house at the time, and I took no more notice of the matter so far as he was concerned. The plaintiff made some playful remarks and said he would have had my authority if I dismissed him.

Mr. Leach, in his judgment, said:—On the 13th Dec. Mr. Garit ordered the coolies to clean the drain, and at first they would not get up. All the coolies were ordered to get up, and the plaintiff was among them. They were all ordered to get up, and the plaintiff was among them. They were all ordered to get up, and the plaintiff was among them.

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Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Total.

New cases... 145 395 436 677 13639

Old cases... 106 100 302 407 720

Operations 13 31 44 74 150 312

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Inserting the above you will much oblige,

Sir, yours faithfully,

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SIR MORELL MACKENZIE.

WHAT HE HAS TO SAY ABOUT GERMAN CRITICISMS.

Sir Morell Mackenzie has during the last two or three weeks been constantly pressed upon by enterprising reporters that he did not welcome my proposal to interview him on the subject of his recent visit to San Remo with quite so much enthusiasm as I had hoped.

On my promising, however, to 'use him as though I loved him,' and to 'apply the journalistic rack and thumbscrew as well as possible I got him to consent to the operation. I found it a much easier matter to make the arrangement than to succeed in carrying it out. On presenting myself in Harley Street at the appointed time, I was informed by the generally ferocious Cerberus who guards the hall-door that I could not possibly see Sir Morell then, as he was engaged with one of the Royal Princesses. He showed me in waiting-rooms, and even the staircase, crowded with patients whom the fogs had driven to his famous master, and appealed to my sense of humanity to choose some less busy hour for my visit. I returned, therefore, in the evening, and after then could not see the Doctor for a week. 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